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**DOH CITES SHINCO MANAGEMENT INC. FOR
HAZARDOUS WASTE VIOLATIONS**

HONOLULU -- The Hawai'i State Department of Health (DOH) has filed a complaint and order against Shinco Management, Inc., for alleged violations of the state's hazardous waste statutes. Shinco, a painting contractor that performs work on commercial and residential buildings, was cited on two counts: 1) for failing to make a hazardous waste determination, and 2) for the treatment and disposal of hazardous waste without having a permit.

The alleged violations were observed during an inspection by a DOH inspector in August, 2006. Paints and thinners were brought back to the company's facility and rags were used to absorb and dry out the paints and thinners so that they could be disposed of in the landfill. Paints and thinners are usually considered hazardous waste when they are disposed.

Shinco Management, Inc. faces a penalty of \$32,500. In addition to paying the penalties, the company has been ordered to comply with state hazardous waste rules for the cited violations. Shinco Management, Inc. has 20 days to contest the order. If it does, the case will be set for a contested hearing.

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